

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Attorney Docket No.: 2733.29US01

Ilyushenko et al.

Confirmation No.: 7171

Application No.: 10/533,177

Examiner: Michael Aboagye

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APPLICANT INITIATED REQUEST FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

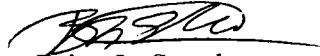
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Sir:

Applicants hereby request a telephone interview to discuss the above captioned application. Issues to be discussed are the claim rejections currently outstanding over Forrest et al. '883, and specifically the interpretation given the language of the claims and the content of the applied reference. Proposed attendees are Examiner Aboagye, the Examiner's supervisor SPE Jessica L. Ward, counsel Thomas G. Dickson for Applicant, and undersigned counsel for Applicant. Applicant proposes that the interview is preferably conducted by telephone on March 9, 2009, or March 10, 2009, or alternatively, as soon thereafter as Applicant may be heard.

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Respectfully submitted,



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